

August 2, 2006

## **Roger Munger**

- Roger Allen Munger, 67, Aberdeen, died Friday, July 28, 2006 at Avera St. Luke's Hospital. His funeral was held Monday, July 31, 2006, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, with the Rev. Wayne Gallipo and the Rev. Tony Haglund officiating. Burial followed at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

- Roger Allen Munger was born December 23, 1938 to Allen Willard and Mildred (Shantz) Munger at Seymour, Wisconsin. As a small infant the family moved to the family farm at rural Mansfield, SD. He attended Warner Public School, graduating from Warner High School in 1957. He then attended South Dakota State University in Brookings for two years. He married Diane Dunker on March 11, 1960 at Warner, SD. They moved to Warner where they farmed until 1965. In 1965, he opened Munger Motors in Ipswich, SD and operated it until fire



destroyed the business in 1967. They moved back to Warner where he farmed for a short time. The family then moved to Wisconsin for three years where he worked with cattle. They moved back to Warner where he was employed with Taylor Implement and Spaulding Auto. He married Helen Morey Bonn on September 4, 1981 at Aberdeen, SD. They moved to Milbank where they owned and operated Milbank Motors. They then moved to Aberdeen where he was employed at Pierson Ford until his health forced him to retire.

- He was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church and the Northeast Area Horseracing Association. He enjoyed all aspects of fishing, hunting, baseball, horse racing, bird watching, woodworking, gardening, bowling, playing cards, snowmobiling and piloting airplanes. He loved to drive. He loved to cook out and grill, especially ribs. He liked to make lunch for his hunting and fishing trips. He totally loved spending time with his grandchildren.

- He is survived by his wife, Helen Munger of Aberdeen, SD; six sons, Randy (Debbie) Bonn of Aberdeen, SD; Andre' Bonn of Groton, SD; Craig Munger of Sioux Falls, SD; Don (Jolene) Bonn of Aberdeen, SD; Curtis Munger of Sioux Falls, SD; Jason (Nissa) Munger of Buffalo, MN; three daughters, Jill Hinrichs of Claremont, SD; Susan (Larry) Cook of Aberdeen, SD and Julene (Marty) Micko of Claremont, SD; his step-mother: Arlene Munger of Aberdeen; four brothers, Larry

(Susan) Munger of Watertown, SD; Les (Diane) Munger of Rapid City, SD; Tom (Michelle) Munger of Mansfield, SD and Steve (Debi) Munger of Mansfield, SD; two sisters, Jeanne (Denny) Musselman of Argyle, TX and Carol (C. J.) Haugh of Minneapolis, MN; nineteen grandchildren, Tara Cook, Austin Cook, Chad Pray, Mandy Pray-Dede, Brendan Hinrichs, Whitney Hinrichs, Clark Bonn, Dustin Bonn, Lance Bonn, Ryan Munger, Aleesha Fischer, Aaron Micko, Ashley Micko, Gerald Micko, Craig Bonn, Heather Bonn, Amber Bonn, six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

- He was preceded in death by his parents, one daughter, Lisa Ann, and one son-in-law, Jan Hinrichs.

- Active casket bearers were all of his grandsons, Aaron Micko, Gerald Micko, Craig Bonn, Chad Pray, Brendan Hinrichs, Clark Bonn, Dustin Bonn, Lance Bonn and Austin Cook. Honorary casket bears were the members of the Northeast Area Horseracing Association.